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REMARKS

The application has been reviewed in light of the final Office Action dated December 28, 2005. Claims 1-44 were pending. By this Amendment, claims 43 and 44 have been canceled, and independent claims 1-4, 17-20 and 39-42 have been amended to include the features formerly recited in now-canceled claim 44. Therefore, no new matter and no new issues are introduced by the claim amendments, and entry of this Amendment is requested. Claims 1-42 are presented for reconsideration, with claims 1-4, 17-20 and 39-42 being in independent form.

Claims 1-43 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as purportedly anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,293,253 to Kida et al. Claim 44 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly unpatentable over Kida in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,072,599 to Oba et al.

This application relates to improved techniques which enable a communication terminal device to process unwanted communications (for example, direct mail, junk mail, etc.), without unnecessarily wasting resources. For example, a communication terminal device with a function of rejecting receipt of messages from communication partners who are not registered in a receipt-allowed communication partner registration table is provided which, instead of receiving and printing out unwanted messages or even individual reports corresponding to the respective rejected messages, rejects the unwanted message from the communication partner not registered in the receipt-allowed communication partner registration table, and collects and stores the communication control information in connection with rejected messages which arrive from communication partners not registered in the receipt-allowed communication partner registration table. At a later time, a list can be created on the basis of the stored communication control information for the rejected messages, and visibly output. The list includes communication control information for a plurality of rejected communications, and the communication control information in the list for a rejected communication indicates that the communication was

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rejected. Each of the independent claims as amended includes these features.

Kida is directed to a facsimile apparatus which when a call is received, checks calling station identification information to determine whether the calling station is registered in a RAM memory of the apparatus. Kida proposes that if the calling station is registered, normal facsimile reception is performed by the apparatus, and if the calling station is not registered, the line is disconnected by the facsimile apparatus and the apparatus reports the disconnection. Kida further proposes that a report is generated for, and at the time of, each call rejection.

Applicant does not find teaching or suggestion in Kida of a communication terminal device provided with a function of rejecting receipt of messages from communication partners other than communication partners previously registered in receipt-allowed communication partner registration table, wherein the communication terminal device collects communication control information in connection with receipt-rejected communications, and creates a list on the basis of the stored communication control information for the receipt-rejected communications, and wherein the list includes communication control information for a plurality of rejected communications, and the communication control information in the list for a rejected communication indicates that the communication was rejected, as provided by the claimed invention of each of the independent claims of the present application.

Oba, as understood by Applicant, is directed to a facsimile apparatus which includes the conventional feature of storing information indicating a result of a transmission, and periodically printing a communication management report containing the transmission result information.

However, Oba does not disclose or suggest that unwanted communications are rejected and the result information of a rejected communication indicates that the communication was rejected.

Applicant simply does not find teaching or suggestion in the cited art of a communication

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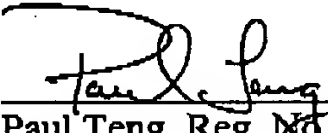
terminal device provided with a function of rejecting receipt of messages from communication partners other than communication partners previously registered in receipt-allowed communication partner registration table, wherein the communication terminal device collects communication control information in connection with receipt-rejected communications, and creates a list on the basis of the stored communication control information for the receipt-rejected communications, and wherein the list includes communication control information for a plurality of rejected communications, and the communication control information in the list for a rejected communication indicates that the communication was rejected, as provided by the claimed invention of each of the independent claims of the present application.

In view of the amendments to the claims and remarks hereinabove, Applicant submits that the application is now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicant earnestly solicits the allowance of the application.

If a petition for an extension of time is required to make this response timely, this paper should be considered to be such a petition. The Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required in connection with this amendment to our Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

If a telephone interview could advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,


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